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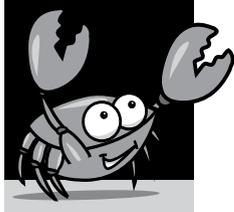
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Welcome to The Crab Cracker! Here's What's Crackin'...

The Crab Cracker is a community magazine created **BY** local residents **FOR** local residents. It is a FREE publication printed every two weeks and distributed throughout the communities of Camano Island, Stanwood (and Warm Beach area), Silvana, and Conway. It contains an extensive calendar of events, original stories, feature articles, fun and interesting sections, community news and announcements, tide tables, and more. Please send us any material you want our communities to know about for possible entry into this publication. It is content provided from YOU that makes this publication the popular source of information and entertainment that all of our friends and neighbors enjoy.

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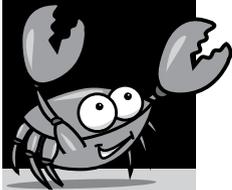


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Submission DEADLINE: APRIL 15 for Next Edition (April 23-May 6, 2021)

Calendar of Events



DID YOU KNOW?

Along with humpback whales, Gray whales make the longest migration of any marine mammal.

NOTICE: Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, many events have been cancelled or postponed or rescheduled. Some of the following events are online and virtual. For all others, contact them directly to ensure they are happening.



FRIDAY, APRIL 9

VIRTUAL PLAY & LEARN

with Wonderland Child & Family Services. 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM On-line event. Join Shelby, for a 30-minute virtual circle time on Zoom. These weekly sessions include engaging activities designed to foster your child's development, including a story time, singing, and simple crafts. Register online to receive your Zoom link and a list of materials you may need. For information about Wonderland Child and Family Services, please visit their website: <https://wonderlandkids.org/>

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, APRIL 9-10

BIG YARD SALE AND PLANT SALE

Stanwood-Camano Kiwanis Club is having a big Yard Sale and Plant Sale April 9 and 10, 9am-4pm each day. Location: 396 Starfield Ln, Camano Island. Please no early arrivals. Proceeds benefit scholarships for local high school seniors.

Gamano Country Club THRIFT SALE!

~ April 16th to 17th ~

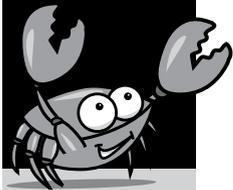
8am-4pm at

Gamano Country Club,
1235 S. Beach Drive

~ Masks required ~



Calendar of Events



DID YOU KNOW?

It takes 24-26 hours for a hen to complete the process of laying an egg.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

SPRING CAT CABIN CLEAN UP

10am at Flower Feline Sanctuary. The cat cabin enclosure needs a sprucing up for spring! Power washing, possibly some painting, raking/ adding wood chips. Wear your work clothes. We won't work inside the cabin so that the kitties can feel safe. Lunch afterwards! Weather permitting- if it's raining heavily we will postpone the event. I will post on Facebook by 8am morning of event if it's happening or not. 815 New Morning Road, Camano Island.



SATURDAY, APRIL 10

EAGLES: WHAT ARE THEY DOING OUT THERE?

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM Online event. Learn about the habitats of these beautiful birds. Where do eagles live? How can I find them nearby? How do they care for their young? Get these and more questions answered. For families with children ages 5 and up and anyone interested in knowing more about these magnificent creatures. A link to join the program via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the morning of the event. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

VIRTUAL PLAY & LEARN

with Wonderland Child & Family Services. 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM Online event. Join Shelby, for a 30-minute virtual circle time on Zoom. These weekly sessions include engaging activities designed to foster your child's development, including a story time, singing, and simple crafts. Register online to receive your Zoom link and a list of materials you may need. For information about Wonderland Child and Family Services, please visit their website: <https://wonderlandkids.org/>

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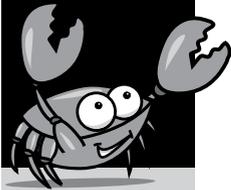
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TUESDAY, APRIL 13

OPEN BOOK: IMBOLO MBUE

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM Online event. Imbolo Mbue is the author of the 2016 New York Times bestseller *Behold the Dreamers*, which won the PEN/Faulkner Award for Fiction and was an Oprah's Book Club selection. The novel has been translated into 11 languages, adapted into an opera and a stage play, and optioned for a miniseries. Her new novel, *How Beautiful We Were* is a sweeping, wrenching story about the collision of a small African village and an American oil company. It was named one of Time's Most Anticipated Books of 2021. Please register to ensure you receive a courtesy reminder the day before the event, and to help us get a head count. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

STAY-AT-HOME STORYTIME SNIPPETS

3:00 PM – 3:15 PM Online event. Enjoy stories, sing along songs, rhymes and fun activities that prepare young minds for the adventures of reading. Presented by Sno-Isle Libraries staff from their homes for you and your little ones to join in from your home. To view, please visit the Sno-Isle Libraries Facebook or YouTube pages. Recordings will be available for later viewing.

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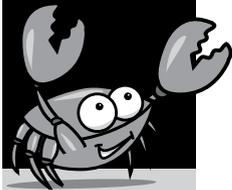


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DID YOU KNOW?

Erotomania is a psychological disorder where the sufferer has delusions that another person is in love with him or her.



TUESDAY, APRIL 13

DICK'S FOOD TRUCK

Windermere Real Estate and Dick's Drive-In have partnered to bring Dick's Food Truck to the Windermere parking lot across from the YMCA from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, April 13th. Customers can round up the price of their orders to donate to the YMCA's "Make a Splash" program which gives free swim lessons to local 3rd & 4th graders. Call Adrian Moore for information regarding this highly anticipated event! 206-406-3315, adrianmoore@windermere.com

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT – KNIT & CROCHET

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM. Calling all yarn crafters! Whether you make garments, gifts, home décor, or amigurumi, you can use yarn to create a wide variety of beautiful and interesting objects. Bring your current knit or crochet project and connect with your fellow crafters. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

BIBLE STUDY BREAKFAST

Camano Chapel's Chapelites will resume their Bible Study Breakfast starting March 31st, from 9-10:30 am on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month through May 2021. All adults ages 55+ are welcome. We meet in Saratoga Hall's Upper Room. Please join us!

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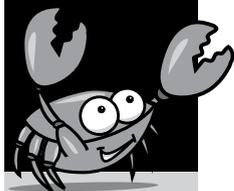


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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

VISITING MOUNT ST. HELENS

6:30 PM – 7:30 PM Online event. Join Mount St. Helens Institute volunteer lecturer David Newcomb for insider tips for hikers, climbers, and day-trippers and make the most of your visit to Mount St. Helens. Please register to ensure you receive a reminder the day before the event, and to help us get a head count. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

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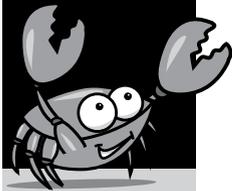


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THURSDAY, APRIL 15

READING WITH ROVER

online event. 4-4:15pm, 4:15-4:30pm, 4:45-5pm. Children build reading skills and confidence by reading aloud to a certified therapy dog in a live video chat. For elementary students ages 6-12, with an adult. One registration required per student. Prior to the event you will receive an email invitation for the Zoom event. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

FRIDAY, APRIL 16

VIRTUAL PLAY & LEARN

with Wonderland Child & Family Services. 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM Online event. Join Shelby, for a 30-minute virtual circle time on Zoom. These weekly sessions include engaging activities designed to foster your child’s development, including a story time, singing, and simple crafts. Register online to receive your Zoom link and a list of materials you may need. For information about Wonderland Child and Family Services, please visit their website: <https://wonderlandkids.org>.

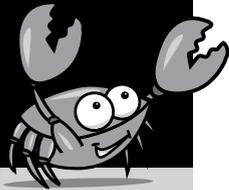


FRIDAY, APRIL 16

ONLINE FAMILY TRIVIA - AVATAR: THE LAST AIRBENDER

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM Online event. Go it solo or grab a family member (or a few!) to test your trivia skills, right from the comfort of your own home. Join us for a trip into the fantastic world of Avatar: The Last Airbender. Family trivia is designed with young people in mind – we suggest a youth participant on each team. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

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DID YOU KNOW?

Carrots have
zero fat
content.



FRIDAY-SATURDAY, APRIL 16-17

SPRING GARAGE SALE FUNDRAISER

8am-4pm at Camano Swim, Fitness, and Social Clubhouse, 1235 S. Beach Drive. The Camano Country Club will be doing a Thrift Sale. Masks required. More info: 425-830-6783.



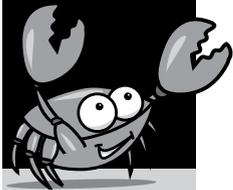
SATURDAY, APRIL 17

CARS AND COFFEE

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DID YOU KNOW?

"Death by PowerPoint" is a term relating to the intense boredom of useless PowerPoint presentations.



SATURDAY, APRIL 17

PLANT SALE

Noon-3pm at Ananda Farm, 732 Haven Pl, Camano Island. Calling all gardeners, homesteaders, permaculture enthusiasts, and aspiring Yoga-Nature farmers. You are invited to the annual Ananda Farm Plant Sale. Visit the farm to get inspired with a farm tour and check out the 2021 spring offerings from the farm.

SATURDAY, APRIL 17

WEAVING FROM HOME

Silver Kite Online Workshop. 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM. In this class, we'll create small looms from scraps of cardboard and yarn. We'll cover the basics of weaving and go over how to add stripes and different shapes into your work. Materials: Small sheet of corrugated cardboard (somewhere in the range of 5"x7" and 9"x12"), Scissors, Assortment of yarn, Optional materials: Shoebox and lid, Ruler, Plastic needle, Scraps of fabric. Register on the Silver Kite website at least one hour before class starts. Use sil2020 as the password. Silver Kite will send you the link for your class one hour before it begins. If you have any questions about your registration, please contact Silver Kite by email: info@silverkite.us or by phone: (508) 812-0431



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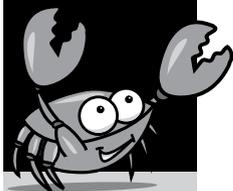
Stanwood Community & Senior Center will launch a new "flex route" transit service this fall. It will connect Camano, Stanwood, and Arlington. Although running on a fixed schedule, people will be able call in advance for door-to-door pick-up.

Submit your naming ideas for the new transportation service. The top four names will get \$50 Amazon gift certificates, and the eventual winner will get a \$200 gift certificate.

Learn more and submit your ideas at NameTheVan.com



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DID YOU KNOW?

The radio took 38 years to reach a market audience of 50 million.

The television took 13 years and the iPod only took 3 years to reach a market audience of 50 million.

SATURDAY, APRIL 17

ASK A MASTER GARDENER

Are you thinking about working in your yard? You are in luck. Today is Island County Master Gardener Clinic day. Join us at 2 PM and ask your garden questions or just listen in as we talk about what is going on in our gardens this month. Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS, or Android: Zoom Link <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/92586177662>. Meeting ID: 925 8617 7662. Password: 509241.



SATURDAY, APRIL 17

SPRING WALKS ARE BACK!

Join Friends of Camano Island Parks (FOCIP) on today's walk at Four Springs Lake Preserve: Meet at 9:30am in the parking area on Lewis Lane. See this beautiful preserve with a walk on the perimeter trail including the wetland trail. Masks Required. No dogs please.

TUESDAY, APRIL 20

VIRTUAL PLAY & LEARN

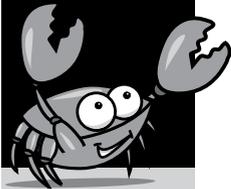
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TUESDAY, APRIL 20

MONITORING CASCADE RANGE VOLCANOES

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM Online event. There are over 80 people employed at the Cascades Volcano Observatory. Learn more about CVO and its mission to monitor "High Threat" volcanoes of Washington and Oregon, and work with monitoring partners and emergency officials to communicate hazard information to the 10+ million people who live in Washington and Oregon. Presented by Seth Moran, Geophysicist, Cascades Volcano Observatory. Please register to ensure you receive a reminder the day before the event, and to help us get a head count. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

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DID YOU KNOW?

Intentionally farting on a California prison guard can get you an additional 11 years in prison.

TUESDAY, APRIL 20

STAY-AT-HOME STORYTIME SNIPPETS

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT – EARLY BIRD COFFEE AND CRAFTS

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM. Good morning early risers! This Craft and Chat is for those who know the best way to start the day is with conversation, coffee, and creativity. All crafts and all skill levels are welcome. This is a social event and not a tutorial. Registration is required. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

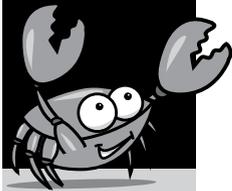
ONLINE PUB TRIVIA - STUDIO GHIBLI

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM. Enter the beloved animated world of Chihiro, Totoro, and Kiki with an evening of trivia all about Studio Ghibli! A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Team members are not required and teams of one are absolutely fine. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

GARDENING FOR POLLINATORS AND BIRDS

Zoom presentation. Learn about the native plants that attract birds, bees, and butterflies to the garden at 7 pm. Bob Gillespie, retired entomology professor, will discuss the amazing diversity of pollinators found in the Northwest and why we should support them. Brenda Cunningham, manager of the Washington Native Plant Society's display garden in Mount Vernon, will introduce some of the best plants for hosting these pollinators in our gardens. A ZOOM link will be emailed to you with registration. For information about the Zoom link to the program or about the Camano Wildlife Habitat Project, sponsored by Friends of Camano Island Parks, visit www.camanowildlifehabitat.org, call 360-387-2236, or email camanowildlifehabitat@gmail.com.

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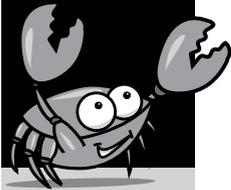
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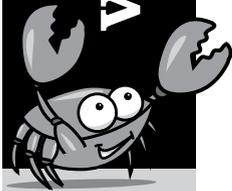
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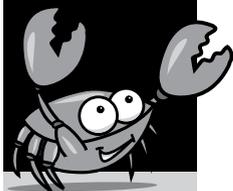
THE TAXMAN

Just about when I finished our federal taxes ... for the third time ... I come across an article listing 60 large corporations that pay no tax whatsoever. Maybe you remember the whining and moaning awhile back that American corporations pay too much compared to other countries' taxes. Maybe you even believed it. If so, all I can say is that your taxes are simple: put down what you earned, take your standard deduction, sign the form and send a check or wait for a refund. You probably figure corporations do the same thing. Put down their earnings, deduct their cost of doing bizness, that's the profit, divide by 40% or whatever it used to be and lick their wounds and their stamp.

Tax laws are complicated. There are more loopholes in there than I have mice in my shack. If you ever wondered what lobbyists do to earn their salaries, spend a few hours looking through the IRS list of forms. There are quite a few. If you have a few days, scroll through a couple of them, maybe try to follow the worktables, see how they work. I guarantee you need to be a pretty good accountant. And if you're a corporate accountant, I guarantee you'll take every deduction you're allowed plus plenty that are, well, arguable. Since audits are pretty much a thing of the past, you won't have to make an argument, just breathe easy. And if in the end you don't have to pay taxes, well, as a taxpayer who does, I'm just glad we aren't sending these overtaxed corporations refund checks for all their bother.

Oh, wait, maybe we are. Allowances for next year's taxes, carry-overs, tax exemptions for simply moving to our town, the list is long and depressing. Sure wouldn't want them to feel disadvantaged, I know, but there is something inherently wrong with a company like Amazon paying zero taxes, then wrangling concessions from their new headquarter's location, all the while using predatory tactics on their competition. The average of all corporations in 2018 for tax on their profits was, get ready, 7%. No wonder the corporations are crying bloody murder. 7%. Yeow, owww. Little doubt there why wages aren't going up when these overtaxed companies can barely stay afloat under such fiscal onslaught. Over regulated, over taxed, overseas and over the rainbow. Why should I complain if I pay more than them? Just helping out the economy. So what if Amazon, Delta, Chevron, Netflix, Duke Energy, Honeywell, Occidental Petroleum, John Deere, General Motors and about 50 more large firms couldn't chip in a dime? Little bizzy making profits for their shareholders, hey. Me, on the other hand, not too many shareholders in my company.

So once again, another fiscal year, another check to the IRS that pays my fair share of schools, fire and police, roads, welfare, the military, infrastructure, border walls, national forests and parks, all those things government does that make my life easier and richer. Corporations? Not so much. Good citizens? I don't think so. The right to give money to political action committees just like the rest of us humans? You tell me....



DID YOU KNOW?

King Kong was the first movie to ever have a sequel.

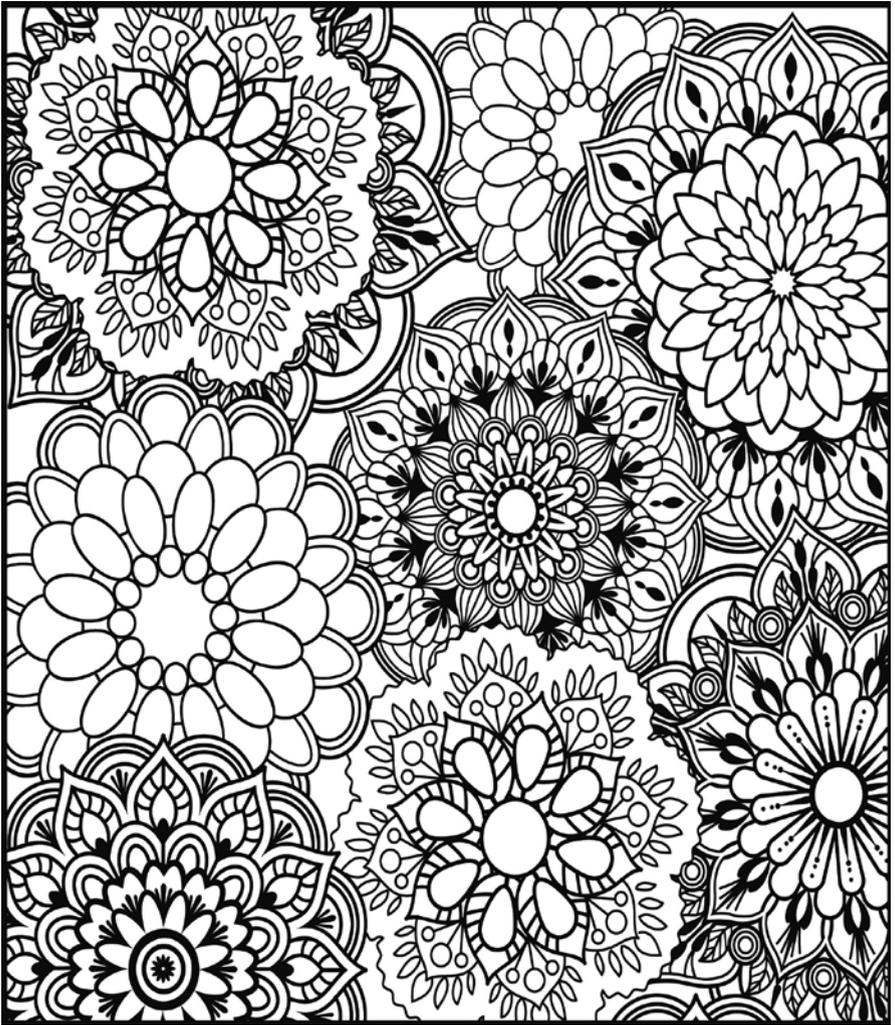
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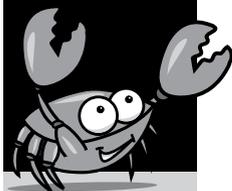
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CASA'S PET OF THE WEEK:

JR is a little over 2 years old and at his full adult size. He is a bit shy at first but becomes very affectionate and cuddly fast. JR is very dependent on his people and does not like being left alone but being a Husky he can also seem aloof at times. If you are looking for a loyal companion to run, hike, and spend all of your time with, JR might be the guy for you.

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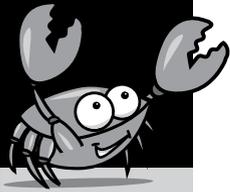
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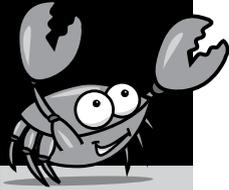
FAMILY HISTORY CENTER: Closed until further notice.

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Did You Know?



The Stanwood Area Historical Society asks, "Did You Know?"

Excerpts taken from the "Stanwood Story", written for the Stanwood News by Alice Essex.

Sale of the plant and property, scheduled to be finalized on August 5, 1939 was blocked by the sudden death on that day of D.G. Bennie, who had managed the operation since 1911. A few outlying mills continued to operate, but the die was cast. The hum of viners was to replace the hum of lumber saws in Stanwood. The town had made the switch from trees to peas and processing was soon to become the mainstay of the industrial community.

The winds of change also were blowing elsewhere about town. In line with the frozen food trend, Oscar Rygg installed a cold storage plant at the Home Meat Market in East Stanwood and the following year Bob Boreson followed suit at his market on the west side.

Stanwood Hardware Co. announced a change of ownership and celebrated with an open house on April 1, 1937. S.R. Pusey, who retired in 1970, purchased the business from Rafter Hardware Co. of Mount Vernon, for whom he had managed the store for six years.

Founded In 1902 by H.C. Anderson, W.C. Brokaw, Peter Leque, Iver Johnson and H.A. Hafstad, the company was sold to W.B. Davis in 1916, and to William Rafter in 1936.

April, 1937 also was the time when Idan Gilbertson opened a grocery store in the former Bartz Hotel, which boasted a new front and remodeling by its new owner.

William Bailey bought the original Bank of Stanwood building that same spring and added a one-story addition for his law office. The remainder of the building accommodated the post office, Stanwood General Hospital, H.C. Ownby Confectionery and the office of the West Coast Telephone Co.

May 1, or thereabouts, at the order of the town council, Stanwood installed its first traffic light to expedite traffic at the corner of Market and Main Streets.

In East Stanwood, Stephen Floe moved his real estate office to his new building, the second brick structure in the east-side of town...Yngve and Hansen converted their department store into a grocery operation...Alan Anderson took over the grocery at S.A. Thompson & Co.... George Bryan, formerly with S.A. Thompson, took over management of Heely's Grocery in Florence, after the death of its pioneer owner and O.T. Stave opened a gas station and grocery store on the new highway at the Freeborn corner.

"Fish for everybody" was the word about town in September, when thousands of humpies turned the offshore vista at Warm Beach into a jumping, seething sea of salmon en route to their spawning grounds.

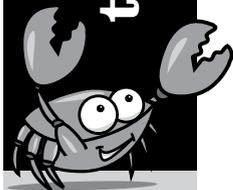
As the holidays rolled around, people were in a dancing mood judging from notices in the social columns. At the city hall, folks could enjoy a Thanksgiving fling to the tune of Ez Parkington's Orchestra for 40 cents, plus tax. At the Stillaguamish Grange, the same tab provided a ticket to the Scandinavian-American dance; at Camp Pleasant, Arnie Wangsmo was playing for a square dance, tab 15 cents and 35 cents, and at Victoria Hall, Herb Hansen was holding forth to the tune of 35 cents for men and 15 cents for women.

Another era was dancing its way in!

All's well that ends well, says the adage, and that was the outcome of the school upheaval of 1937. Stanwood needed a new high school, East Stanwood wanted to enlarge Lincoln...both came forth with requests for state and federal aid.

Consolidation was the advice from the state school officials, who maintained that taxes could be cut in half for the eight outlying districts and the two in the Twin Cities if they could join force happily. Meetings and a series of selections to test the public pulse began in April and ended in December, after numerous hassles in the intervening months.

View from the Bleachers



Read more of Tim Jones' humor every week at www.ViewFromTheBleachers.net or check out his new YouTube channel by the same name.

A SURVIVAL GUIDE FOR COPING WITH AIR TRAVEL

When Orville Wright first took flight over the beaches of Kitty Hawk, NC in 1903, he couldn't have imagined that a century later, millions of people the world over would be getting into shouting matches with ticket agents, security screeners and baggage handlers over the nearly universal frustration caused by his invention. Thanks for the 12-inch gash in the side of my Louis Vuitton suitcase, Orville.

Singapore, New Delhi, and Buenos Aires are just a few of the famous world cities I will probably never get to visit because I refuse to put up with the headaches required to fly there. Also because, like most Americans, I'm not sure exactly where those cities are on a map. (I think New Delhi might be in Belgium.) But sometimes air travel is unavoidable. If you simply must book a flight, here are a few helpful tips to reduce your stress level.

Booking your flight - Choosing the right airline: The first rule of air travel is simple: Don't fly if you can possibly avoid it. But if you absolutely must fly, for example, to attend a family reunion, I recommend Qantas, the official airline of Australia. The last time Qantas had a fatality was in 1951. Of course, if your family reunion is in say, Chicago, you may need to make a couple connections through Sydney, Tokyo and New York. But you will arrive there safely, albeit two days later than the rest of your family, who opted for the nonstop on United.

The boarding process: For many of us, the most exhausting part of air travel is waiting in all those long lines. When going through TSA Security, you will usually have several lines to choose from. It's important to know which is the slowest. Here's a simple rule of thumb: The slowest line will be whichever one you decided to get in. It's an immutable law of airline travel.

Your line will inevitably be the one stalled by the guy who barely speaks English embroiled in a twenty-minute heated debate with the TSA agent (who also barely speaks English) arguing that the army surplus bowie knife he tried to sneak through is a gift for his seven-year-old niece. So just accept your fate and just pick a random line. Then start taking off your shoes, socks, belt, overcoat, shirt, slacks, and underwear for the TSA screener. But leave your glasses on – unless they're night vision goggles.

As you board the plane, it's important to be patient. The time it takes to reach your seat will vary between ten minutes and a week-and-a-half. The delay is typically caused by some 350-pound dude in camo pants and mullet haircut who will spend 15 minutes trying unsuccessfully to cram a carry-on the size of an elk into the overhead rack.



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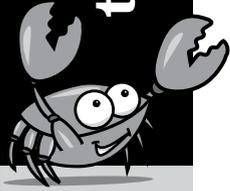
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Retrieving your luggage at baggage claim: It's easy to mistake your bag for someone else's, so make sure it stands out by attaching a brightly colored neon orange strap securely to the handle. Upon arrival, head directly to baggage claim to collect your luggage. Notice how it's been an hour and now the only bag revolving around the carousel is a black bag with a brightly colored neon orange strap – which oddly enough is not your bag.

Go to the lost luggage desk, where you will look for the customer service agent. Notice the sign on the counter that reads "On break. Back in one hour." Eventually he will return. You will quickly notice the irony that despite having the title of customer service agent, he actually has no idea what the words "customer" or "service" mean. He will display as much genuine concern for locating your lost luggage as he has about Norwegian currency fluctuations.

You will eventually be informed that your luggage, which was supposed to arrive in Savannah, GA (airport code SAV) was misrouted to an airport with a similar airport code – Savoonga, Alaska (airport code SVA). Be patient. There is a better than 30% chance that the airline will quickly discover their error and get your luggage on the next plane headed east.... this time, to Shreveport, Louisiana (airport code SHV). Oh, one more thing. Your flight home will be delayed by nine hours due to a mechanical malfunction in your plane's main jet engine, which has failed for reasons nobody can figure out. So your luggage just might make your return flight after all.

If all of this still sounds like a bit too much excitement, there is one other way to take the hassle out of flying. Next time, take the train.

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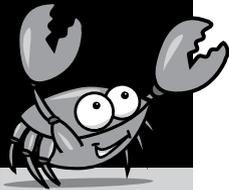
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PAINTINGS BY JASON OTTO

Jason Otto is a Northwest contemporary artist. His main medium is acrylic on canvas. Lively brush strokes and energetic compositions distinguish his works.

Otto emphasizes design and color in his paintings. For him, it's not just about recreating a scene on canvas, it's about expressing an energy and mood through design and discovery. "The scene being painted becomes a vehicle for doing exciting things with paint and composition. My artwork is an interpretation of what I see and the drama it expresses."

He has called the Northwest his home for over 30 years. He is retired from Boeing, where he worked as a computer software engineer. His father, Curtis Otto, was a prolific artist in Southern Oregon and Northern California.

His subject matter is diverse but includes a number of local themes such as Northwest ferries, lighthouses, beaches, and some very unique paintings depicting the Boeing aerospace manufacturing facility.

Otto has shown his work at a number of venues including the Future of Flight Museum, the Lynnwood Convention Center, the Schack Art Museum, Fresh Paint, Art by the Bay, the Everett Art Walk, and the old Longacres race track, to name just a few.

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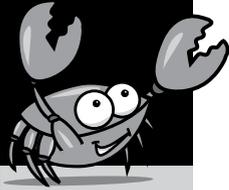
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FIRE EXPLORER PROGRAM

Good news! North County Fire/EMS Fire Explorer program will be back in full-swing starting May 5th! Our explorer program is a youth program for ages 14-21. It is intended to give opportunity for youth whom have an interest in the field of fire fighting or emergency medical services. The goal is to give them basic training and understanding in this career so that they have a head start if they decide to enroll into a fire academy, Fire Protection degree or emergency medicine.

They are taught basics in fire hose deployment, search and rescue techniques, fire control, auto extrication, water rescue first aid and CPR just to name a few. They are also taught about life skills which could be used in any career field in the case that they decide that they don't want a career in the fire service.

In our program they learn the importance of teamwork, being an effective leader, self discipline, self motivation, attention to detail and customer service which is of the utmost importance.

Explorers attend drills once a week at one of the local fire stations from 6pm-9pm. Our department is very involved with community events and explorers assist the fire department with these events.

For more information or an application, visit https://northcounty-fireems.com/.../fire_service.../index.cfm or call 360-629-2184.

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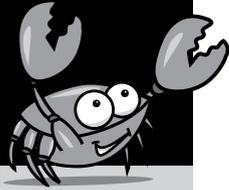
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DID YOU KNOW?

Pope Francis used to be a nightclub bouncer.



THE GRAY WHALES MIRACLE MIGRATION

takes place each spring. These Gray Whales will travel over 10,000 miles from the Baja Peninsula to the Bering Sea. Most of their journey is up to 20 miles offshore, but for a few brief months, these gray whales come through Whidbey and Camano Islands to rebuild their fat stores and gain energy for the last leg of their journey. Source: <https://whidbeycamanoislands.com/the-whales-of-puget-sound/>

“NUDIST” BEACH ON CAMANO ISLAND

The Crab Cracker published an article in the April Fool edition about a new nudist beach on Camano Island. We reported that Bernie Leaf generously donated land to a “local park organization”. It was the park organization that turned the property to a nudist beach. Bernie herself did not donate a nudist beach, but readers were upset by the connection. The joke was directed toward the park organization and another Camano Island local, Sandra Heaphy. We did not intend to offend Bernie’s family and friends. We were in fact complimenting the generous nature of Bernie, and playing a joke on the other two “victims”. We are sorry for the confusion and disrespect. – James Shipley.

THRIFT SALE / DONATIONS

The Camano Country Club will be doing a Thrift Sale April 16 & 17. We are taking donations April 12 - April 15, no electronics. More info: Kathy Rathvon, 425-830-6783.

Come do the ComeUNITY CONGA on June 12th at Freedom Park... ComeUNITY FUN... IMAGINE that!

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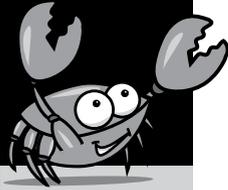
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A portrait of Dan Koffman, a man with a beard and mustache, smiling.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Nearly every brand of hard liquor is vegan.

SINGLE MOMS LIFE GROUP

(Sundays at Camano Chapel starting April 18th 10:20 AM - 11:05 AM, child care provided). Topic: Single Moms come join us as we grow together through the application of godly wisdom, fresh encouragement, and practical ways of dealing with life's feelings and challenges. You will find a warm, welcoming group that will provide hope, peace, and strength as we learn how to reject the world's empty promises and seek God's compassionate, relevant and transformative promises for life's issues. www.camanochapel.org/singlemoms

2021 AAUW SCHOLARSHIP SEASON

The AAUW Stanwood-Camano scholarship process is open with two \$4,000 scholarship awards to offer. The 2021 application and qualifications will be found on our website: www.aauwsc.org/scholarship. This site will be linked to the state scholarship website: www.washboard.org. The application deadline is April 30, 2021. Eligibility Requirements: All students, female and male, who meet the following requirements are encouraged to apply. You must be a current resident of the Arlington, Stanwood, or Camano Island area AND/OR be a graduate of Lakewood, Arlington, Stanwood, or Lincoln Hill High Schools. You must have completed at least 2 years of study at an accredited college or university by June 2021 and have verifiable plans to continue upper-division or master's level post-graduate work at an accredited 4-year college or university in the fall of 2021. We will award our recipients at a virtual Scholarship Tea at 2:00 pm, Sunday June 13, 2021.

PAYROLL ADMINISTRATOR KATHY PACE RETIRED MARCH 31

Camano Island Fire & Rescue's payroll administrator, Kathy Pace, officially retires on March 31, after more than 10 years with the department. As Camano Fire transitioned from a small, all-volunteer team to a 70-plus member department, it was critical to have a payroll administrator who could keep up with the ever-changing nature of financial regulations, classifications and bargaining agreements. "Kathy is a true professional in her field," said Chief Levon Yengoyan. "Payroll may seem like a narrow focus, but it's so important to the overall success of our organization. Without fail, she made sure our payroll functions always stayed up to date with the times." Camano Island Fire & Rescue would like to thank her for her outstanding service to the Department and our community.



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*Call Adrian Moore for information regarding this highly anticipated event!
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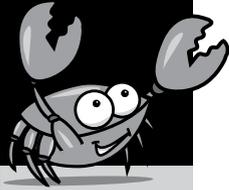
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NEED TO FIND FRESH CRAB?

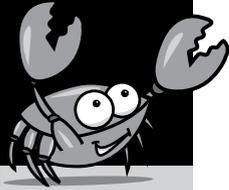
An outdoor magazine rack filled with “fresh” Crab Crackers is located at the Terry’s Corner Visitor’s building (the small red building with the big stained glass window and artist Danny Koffman’s posters).



ONE WHALE OF A SUCCESS STORY

A Whale of a Success Story: Conservation Keys Annual Return by Ron Newberry. Nature wows us at this time of year on Whidbey and Camano islands. Each spring, enormous gray whales breach the surface of these beautiful marine waters and send a spray into the air, announcing their highly anticipated arrival. Members of one group of gray whales known as the “Sounders” have returned to Saratoga Passage for roughly 30 years. It’s a festive occasion – Langley even holds a parade – and there’s ample reason to celebrate. Island conservation is key to why these colossal cetaceans make the annual journey home. The Sounder whales, which number about 12, hold Whidbey and Camano waters in high regard. They’ll pause along their coastal migration to detour more than 150 miles inland to feed in the North Puget Sound waters next to Whidbey and Camano. They’re mostly seeking the abundant ghost shrimp found burrowed in mudflats. The gray whales wait for high tide and gorge themselves on the meaty crustaceans. Nearshore habitat and marine conditions found in Saratoga Passage, Port Susan, and Possession Sound are optimal for the thriving ghost shrimp, according to Ralph Downes, enforcement officer with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. “We get the largest concentration of gray whales feeding here because of the substrate and the presence of the shrimp,” Downes said. “One of the reasons we have so many shrimp is the nutrient-rich water that comes out of the Stillaguamish, Snohomish and Skagit rivers but the most important thing is the beach — the sandy, shallow gradient where burrowing shrimp can live.” Add in the fact that the tidal flow and wave action in Saratoga Passage and Possession Sound is mild compared to much of Puget Sound – allowing sediments to settle rather than get carried away – you start to understand why ghost shrimp are so densely populated in this one area. The Sounders eat hundreds of pounds of them a day while hanging out near the shores of Whidbey and Camano between March and May. This web of interdependence between one of the ocean’s largest creatures and one of its smallest illustrates why naturally-functionally shorelines matter – and why preserving them is so vital. For more information, visit www.wclt.org, email info@wclt.org, or call 360.222.3310. PHOTO: A gray rises from the water in Saratoga Passage. Photo by Jill Hein.

Community Information



DID YOU KNOW?

In 1986, a soviet Aeroflot pilot tried to land the plane blindly with all the windows curtained due to a bet with the co-pilot. He crashed and killed 70 of the 94 passengers on board.

THE CAMANO ISLAND LIBRARY FRIENDS

(CILF) will meet on Thursday, April 22, at 7:00PM on Zoom. Please email camanofriends2020@gmail.com for an invitation. Kelli Bragg, new branch manager, will discuss new plans for our library.

MEETING / PROGRAM

Camano Island Democrats meet April 15th, 7PM. Program includes a presentation from the Front and Centered Coalition on the Healthy Environment for All (Heal) Act and other environmental legislation being considered in Olympia. Island County Commissioner, Janet St Clair, will provide a Covid update. All interested persons and all questions are welcomed. For Zoom link email camanoislanddemocrats@gmail.com.

CAMP KILLOQUA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

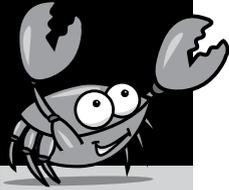
Sunday April 25 we are going to be having a wood splitting work party. We still have lots of downed trees to cut up and haul in and lots of rounds to split. We are looking for volunteers who can bring chainsaws, feel comfortable using a log splitter, could help load cut rounds, and stack firewood. April 25 9:30 to 2, boxed lunch provided! email canderson@campfiresnoco.org by April 16 if you are available to help!



STANWOOD-CAMANO PET PHOTO CONTEST!

Celebrate Stanwood-Camano by sharing a photo of your pet living their best life in our pawsome community and you could win one of these prizes! 1st Prize: Black and White Artist pencil drawing of your pet and \$100 donation to Camano Animal Shelter Association (CASA) in your pet's name. 2nd Prize: \$100 Gift Certificate to Waggers' Market in Stanwood. 3rd Prize: \$65 Gift Certificate to Pet's Ahoy Grooming on Camano Island. To enter, email your photo to kerri@camanokerri.com or enter by sharing a picture on the contest post on my Facebook page [CamanoKerri](https://www.facebook.com/CamanoKerri). All entries must be received no later than midnight on Thursday, April 15, 2021. Voting begins next Friday, April 16 and goes until April 22, 2021. Winners will be announced April 23, 2021 and winners will be chosen by number of "likes" received. For rules and regulations please visit my website: <https://www.camanokerri.com/stanwood-camano-is-pawsome>. Have fun! Looking forward to seeing pictures of your besties!

Community Information



DID YOU KNOW?

With the exception of a few organs, caterpillars liquefy almost completely while undergoing metamorphosis.



KIDS COOKING CLUB

Our youngest guests are invited to go on cooking adventures at home with Haggen Kids Cooking Club. Visit Guest Services at any Haggen location now through April 9 to reserve your FREE spring kit! Each kit will include recipes, activity sheets, materials to build a personal cookbook and a kitchen tool. Details at: <http://ms.spr.ly/6180VuMaE>. Limited quantities available. One kit per family. Ages 4-12.

THE ISLAND COUNTY CHILD CARE PARTNERSHIP TASK FORCE

is diligently working to identify child care needs, specifically in our most marginalized communities. In the next several weeks, community members and providers will be given an opportunity to express their opinions and concerns through surveys and online group discussions. Follow the Facebook page or visit the website to be notified when these become available. www.islandcountywa.gov/Health/AHC/childcare.

VIRTUAL HOMEWORK HELP!

Homework got you down? Have no fear Davis Teen Programs is offering free homework help every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30-10:30 am on Zoom. Our volunteers are ready to help! RSVP is required! Open to students in grades 6-12. RSVP is required contact our teen coordinator at teens@crc-sc.org or 360.629.5257 x1004 to save your place or to answer any questions.

THERE ARE PLENTY OF FISH IN THE SEA...BUT A SHORTAGE OF HOMES FOR THEM TO BUY.



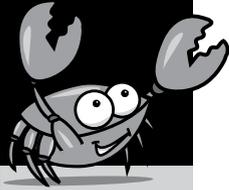
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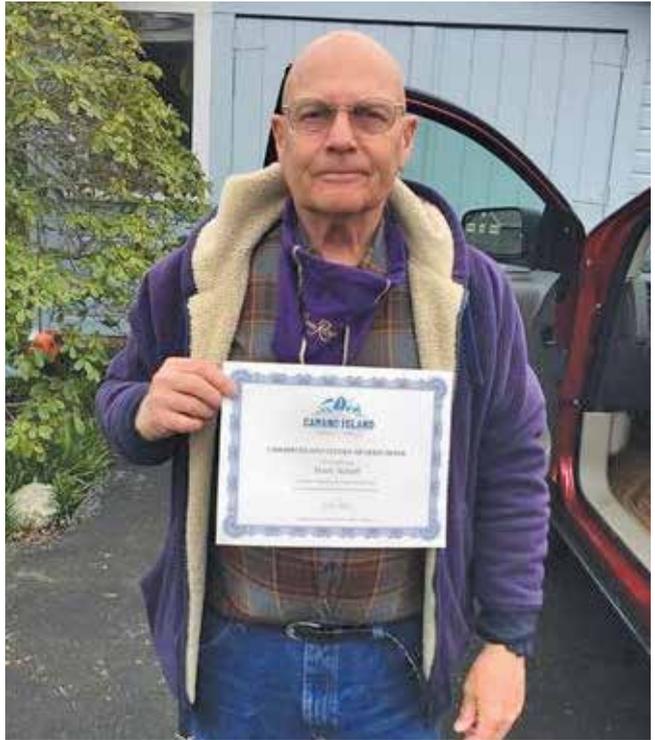
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DID YOU KNOW?

The human eye is so sensitive that, if the Earth were flat and it was a dark night, a candle's flame could be seen from 30 miles away.



GOOD DEEDS AWARD

Congratulations to our FIRST Citizen of Good Deeds award recipient - Mark Schaff who has been picking up trash along North Camano Drive - averaging 15 pounds of trash collected per week. Thank you Mark for your good deed to our community. We appreciate you! For more information or to nominate a Citizen of Good Deeds check out this link: <https://camanoisland.org/citizen-of-good-deeds/>

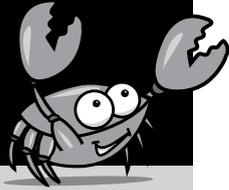
"SEEDS OF CHANGE" AUCTION

Join us for our annual Stilly Valley Youth Dynamics Fundraiser and Auction. This year we are going online. Our auction will be live on April 19 at 9am and will culminate on Saturday, April 24 at 6:00PM with our Live event via Facebook Live and Youtube. Learn more about Stilly Valley Youth Dynamics, how we have been working with students during the pandemic and how we are building lifelong relationships, sharing the love of Christ and the beauty of adventure. Visit our website at <http://bit.ly/seedschangeYD2021> to register.

MONDAY HELP GROUP

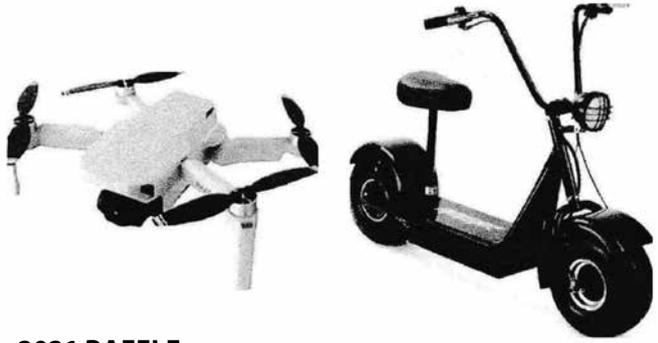
If you've been feeling overwhelmed with distance learning and would like some help, please attend the Monday time management group "Do More and Stress Less: How to Manage Your Time and Improve Your Grades." Join this Google Meet from 2:30-3PM on Mondays with the code "Monday Help." We'll go over strategies for understanding your grade, making a weekly schedule, and getting caught up in your classes. Parents and students are invited to attend.

Community Information



DID YOU KNOW?

Pope Francis has been given many extravagant gifts over the years, and one of them was a Harley-Davidson motorcycle. However, rather than keeping it for his own pleasure and adventures, he sold it off and used the money to benefit homeless people.



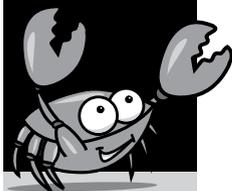
2021 RAFFLE

Camano Island's BEST informational, educational, and read-able entertainment is The Crab Cracker (thanks to Malynnda and James). Some of the BEST employees and all-around helpers on Camano Island can be found @ The Camano Plaza Market (thanks to Scott and Trent). NEXT TIME YOU ARE IN THE CAMANO PLAZA MARKET @ The checkout stands, please check out the riding scooter & drone raffle items, BUY YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS @ THE QUICK CHECK FOR JUST \$2 each. Again, Camano Law Enforcement Support Foundation has raffle items available @ Our Camano Plaza Market. The drawing for both a MotoTec "Fatboy" Electric Scooter & a DJI Mavic Mini Drone will be in August 2021. Proceeds from this raffle are one of C.L.E.S.F. annual fund raisers, and go for our Camano Deputies, Camano Sheriff's Citizen Patrol, and Camano State Park Rangers.

ARBOR DAY FUNDRAISER

The Village Experience Learning Center – a division of Village Community Services, committed to making a difference in the lives of individuals with disabilities – has commenced its First Annual Arbor Day Fundraiser. All donation proceeds will help people with disabilities have access to education, development, and life skills training. There are three donation levels, including a \$30, \$100, and \$300 level. The fundraiser will culminate on Earth Day, April 30th with a memorial tree planting ceremony at the Village Community Services office location. "This first annual fundraising effort will help us create and help fund dynamic learning classes that help elevate the lives of our clients and individuals within our community that need our services," commented Ronda Traut, Village Experience Learning Center project coordinator. "All funds raised between now and Arbor Day will go toward this cause and boost our ability to serve, teach, and encourage those individuals we serve. The three donation levels include the following: \$30 donation level pays for a class for an individual and donor receives a tree to plant; \$100 donation level pays for a class for 3 individuals and donor receives four (4) trees to plant; \$300 donation level pays for an entire class and donor receives 10 trees to plant. All trees will be delivered to the donor's home or if they prefer to donate their trees, they will be planted at a community location. Every donor will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win an overnight stay at the Angel of the Winds Casino as well as a tasty picnic in a basket. Visit our Arbor Day Donation Page to donate directly. For more information, please contact Ronda Traut at either rtraut@villagecommunitysvcs.org or 360-502-1638.

What's Up?



*Astronomy and
the night sky
by William
Maxwell.*

*His astro
images can be
found at [www.astrobin.com/
users/
WilliamM/](http://www.astrobin.com/users/WilliamM/)*



EARTHSHINE

If you have a clear view to the east before sunrise and to the west just after the Sun sets you will be able to see the glow of the Earth on the unlit portion of the Moon.

Known simply as Earthshine it is the most visible in early Moon phases because the phases between Earth and Moon are reversed: A person standing on a "New Moon" (totally dark disk from our perspective) would see a "Full Earth". A full Moon to us would be a New Earth on the Moon.

Since we live on a mostly water planet and water reflects mostly blue, Earthshine is mostly blue. As the phases of the Moon increase the Earth, from the Moon's perspective, diminishes and is washed out by the increasingly illuminated lunar disk.

How come, you may ask, is the Moon red during a lunar eclipse and not just blue? A lunar eclipse happens on a full Moon, so from the Moon's viewpoint a "New Earth". In this case light is refracted around the Earth's atmosphere at the edges. We see this every day in sunrises and sunsets which are, of course, largely red.

The Full Earth from the Moon must be a spectacular sight, but perhaps even more so a lunar "solar eclipse" when the Earth blocks the lunar day and everything is lit up in a dark red. We almost take our end/beginning of day colors for granted, but since the Moon has no atmosphere sunlight would always appear a harsh white. For a lunar inhabitant an eclipse would be the only time to experience the color of the sunset.

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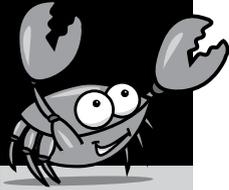


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The Guinness World Record for the time longest spend searching for the Loch Ness Monster, is held by Steve Feltham who camped at Loch Ness for 25 years.

DAVID AND GOLIATH

The stone spun through the air slower than it should have. Everyone had time to turn and watch it arc across the turf. Only ninety feet, but we all read every crevice in the thing before it smacked into the giant's head.

You could hit Goliath in the face with a brick and he would chew through it and spit it back at you. He would catch swinging cudgels, rip them out of the owner's grip, and snap them over his knee. I saw him headbutt a camel and knock it senseless to the ground.

But something about how that sling-stone hit him, some perfect angle, the way it didn't carom off, but stuck for a long moment before it fell. His head jerked back at a strange angle, his knees went watery, and we all knew he was dead before his body kicked up the sand. We knew he would never rise.

David knew. He did not seem surprised. He walked over to the giant heap of flesh and armor, reached down, and took hold of Goliath's sword, braced his foot on the giant's rump and pried it from under him. The huge weapon weighed twenty pounds and had an iron blade five feet long. He felt the weight of it for a moment, swung it once into the ground, then brought the edge to rest on Goliath's neck.

"So end the enemies of Israel," he shouted, then lifted the blade above his head, and with all the strength in his back and legs he swung it down and severed the giant's thick neck.

Blood washed out and the thirsty desert drank.

The Philistines grumbled and stirred, unsure what the next act in the drama would be. The Israelites shouted and clattered their spears on their shields and called out "David!" and "Great God!"

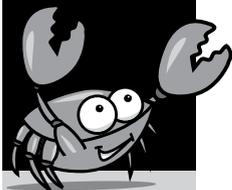
He threw the sword aside and clutched two handfuls of Goliath's mane and hauled the great head up. He held its face toward Israel first and their clamor became a frenzy, then he held it to face the Philistines, and they shrank back as if it reproached them.

"Bury him," said David, and tossed the head toward their line. Then he turned from them, as if unconcerned, and strode back into the ranks of Israel. They swarmed around him and lifted him up and carried him back to their camp even as the Philistines gathered the body of their champion.

There would be no battle this day. This was the law of nations. The champions had met, and each nation must decide over the course of the evening what their gods and their masters would have them do.

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PASTA LEMON SAUCE: 1 lb. spaghetti; 1/2 c. extra virgin olive oil; 1/3 c. fresh lemon juice; 1/2 c. Parmesan cheese; 1/2 c. chopped parsley ; Zest from 1 lemon; Sea salt and freshly cracked black pepper, to taste

DIRECTIONS: Prepare ingredient before you begin. **SHRIMP MARINADE:** In a large bowl, toss together the shrimp, olive oil, lemon zest, parsley, garlic, salt, and pepper; set aside to marinate at room temperature for 20 minutes. Meanwhile bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. When the water reaches a rapid boil, toss in spaghetti, and cook according to package instructions. While the pasta cooks, heat a large skillet over medium-high heat. Cook the shrimp in a single layer for about 2-3 minutes turning them over once. (Depending on the size of your pan, you may need to cook the shrimp in 2 batches.) Once the shrimp are done, transfer to a plate and loosely cover with foil; set skillet aside to toss spaghetti in later. **PASTA LEMON SAUCE:** In a small bowl or measuring cup, whisk together the olive oil, lemon juice, and Parmesan cheese. Drain the spaghetti reserving 1 cup of pasta water. Add the spaghetti to the skillet along with the lemon sauce and a 1/2 cup pasta water; toss to combine. Add the parsley and lemon zest. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Add more pasta water if needed. Plate the lemon spaghetti. Top with shrimp and sprinkle with more Parmesan cheese if desired.

TIDE TABLES - SARATOGA PASSAGE / GREENBANK: APRIL 9-22, 2021

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| 16 | High | 7:23 AM | 9.7 | |
| 16 | Low | 2:16 PM | -0.4 | |
| 16 | High | 9:35 PM | 10.5 | |
| Sa 17 | Low | 3:04 AM | 7.1 |  |
| 17 | High | 7:53 AM | 9.2 | |
| 17 | Low | 2:58 PM | -0.2 | |
| 17 | High | 10:30 PM | 10.3 | |
| Su 18 | Low | 4:04 AM | 7.5 |  |
| 18 | High | 8:27 AM | 8.7 | |
| 18 | Low | 3:46 PM | 0.1 | |
| 18 | High | 11:36 PM | 10.2 | |
| M 19 | Low | 5:30 AM | 7.7 |  |
| 19 | High | 9:16 AM | 8.2 | |
| 19 | Low | 4:42 PM | 0.5 | |
| Tu 20 | High | 12:46 AM | 10.2 |  |
| 20 | Low | 7:21 AM | 7.4 | |
| 20 | High | 10:37 AM | 7.7 | |
| 20 | Low | 5:45 PM | 0.8 | |
| W 21 | High | 1:47 AM | 10.4 |  |
| 21 | Low | 8:16 AM | 6.6 | |
| 21 | High | 12:08 PM | 7.7 | |
| 21 | Low | 6:50 PM | 0.9 | |
| Th 22 | High | 2:32 AM | 10.6 |  |
| 22 | Low | 8:49 AM | 5.7 | |
| 22 | High | 1:28 PM | 8.0 | |
| 22 | Low | 7:52 PM | 1.1 | |



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Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood Watch works. It helps reduce the risk to you, your family, and your home. It also reduces fear, which can sometimes be as harmful to a community as crime itself. Neighborhood Watch is built upon the notion that crime prevention is a shared responsibility. Officers are paid to work full-time against crime, but citizens also need to get involved:

- To report crime and suspicious activity when they see it.
- To get acquainted with their neighbors.
- To take away the opportunity for crime to occur in their neighborhood.

Neighborhood Watch is based on this concept of cooperation. When a concerned citizenry does its part, the results are positive—and the possibilities are endless.



**For emergencies,
call 9-1-1**

Neighborhood Watch Works!

Are you concerned about burglaries, vehicle prowls, speeding cars, or vandalism in your neighborhood? Perhaps you're bothered by barking dogs or noisy Saturday night parties. Join the Stanwood Neighborhood Watch program, and become a part of the solution.

The key to a successful Neighborhood Watch is getting organized. It's easy—just collect contact information from neighbors and select a “captain” to be the key point of contact. Everyone in the neighborhood reports crimes and suspicious activity to 9-1-1 and keeps the captain informed. The captain can then share crime alerts via phone or e-mail with others in the neighborhood. The Stanwood Police Department will provide instruction to help you go from thinking about a Neighborhood Watch program to having one.

Neighborhood Watch . . .

- Reduces your risk of being a victim of crime.
- Trains you how to observe and report suspicious behavior.
- Gets you acquainted with your neighbors.
- Keeps you informed of criminal activity in your area.
- Creates a connection to the deputies who patrol your neighborhood.
- Teaches you how to address neighborhood nuisances.
- Gives you a greater sense of security.
- Empowers and strengthens your neighborhood.

Remember this . . .

- Report crime and suspicious activity when you see it.
- Get acquainted with your neighbors.
- Take away the opportunity for crime to occur in your neighborhood.

Please join us!

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